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- (g) If an order of restitution requiring the payment of money is recorded and indexed in the civil judgment index under subsection (h) or subsection (i) of this section:
- (1) The order of restitution shall constitute a money judgment in favor of the individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor to whom the defendant has been ordered to pay restitution;
- (2) The order of restitution may be enforced by the individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor to whom the defendant has been ordered to pay restitution in the same manner as a money judgment in a civil action; and
- (3) Except as otherwise expressly provided by this section, an individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor to whom a defendant has been ordered to pay restitution shall have all the rights and obligations of a money judgment creditor under the Maryland Rules, including the obligation to file a statement that the judgment has been satisfied under Rule 2-626 or Rule 3-626 on receiving all amounts due under the judgment.
- (h) (1) An order of restitution that is issued by a circuit court under this section shall be recorded and indexed in the civil judgment index by the clerk of the circuit court as a money judgment as prescribed by the Maryland Rules.
- (2) An order of restitution that is recorded and indexed in the civil judgment index as a money judgment under paragraph (1) of this subsection:
- (i) In the county of entry of the judgment, shall constitute a lien from the date of entry in the amount of the judgment on the defendant's interest in land located in the county of the entry of the judgment; but
- (ii) In a county other than the county of entry of the judgment, shall constitute a lien from the date of recording in the amount of the judgment on the defendant's interest in land located in that county.
- (i) (1) An order of restitution that is issued by the District Court under this section may not be recorded and indexed as a money judgment in the District Court until the individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor to whom the defendant has been ordered to pay restitution files a written statement with the clerk of the District Court that requests the order of restitution be recorded and indexed as a money judgment.
- (2) If an order of restitution issued by the District Court is recorded and indexed as a money judgment as permitted under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the clerk of the District Court shall:
- (i) Immediately forward a notice of lien of judgment to the circuit court of that county; and
- (ii) On the receipt of the written statement from the individual, governmental entity, or third-party payor to whom a defendant has been ordered to pay restitution, forward a notice of lien of judgment to the circuit court of any other county as prescribed by the Maryland Rules.